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In re Application of:

Jones et al.

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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(c) FOR ACCEPTANCE OF AN UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED PRIORITY CLAIM

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Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(c), applicants respectfully petition for the acceptance of an unintentionally delayed priority claim.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(c)(1), applicants petition to be afforded, under 35 U.S.C. § 365(a), right of priority to then co-pending PCT International Patent Application No. PCT/EP2003/007690, filed on July 15, 2003, designating the United States of America, published, in English, as International Publication No. WO 2004/009618 A2 on January 29, 2004, which claims the benefit of PCT International Patent Application No. PCT/EP03/50201,

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filed May 27, 2003, European Patent Application No. 02077953.4, filed July 18, 2002, and United States Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/397,066, filed July 18, 2002.

Applicants note that this claim for priority was previously submitted in the

communication filed November 16, 2006.

Applicants further note that, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 55(c)(2), the required surcharge set forth in § 1.17(t) was submitted in conjunction with the communication filed November 16, 2006. However, any fee required but not submitted with this communication may be charged to

deposit account no. 20-1469.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 55(c)(3), applicants submit that: "the entire delay between the date the claim was due under paragraph a(1) of [Rule 55] and the date claimed was filed was

unintentional."

CONCLUSION

Grant of the right of priority to PCT International Patent Application No. PCT/EP2003/007690 is respectfully requested. If questions remain after consideration of the foregoing, or if the Office should determine that there are additional issues which might be resolved by a telephone conference, the Office is kindly requested to contact applicants' attorney at the address or telephone number given herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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